



THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF HADDONFIELD

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"ANECDOTES FROM SOUTH JERSEY" IS THEME OF TALK SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER MEETING

A lively talk on South Jersey lore and an important business meeting to elect new officers is the inviting double feature planned for our next meeting, Tuesday, November 22.

Our speaker, S. Stewart Joslin, Jr., is well-known locally as a lecturer in this field, as the former president of Plays and Players and the former secretary of the Gloucester County Historical Society.

The nominating committee of the Haddonfield Historical Society has presented the following nominations and a large attendance is strongly urged to make this election representative of the majority of our membership:

President—Mrs. Louis H. Goettelmann

1st Vice President—

Mr. Joseph M. Tatem

Treasurer—Mr. Charles R. Mulloy, Jr.

Corresponding Secretary—

Mr. Albert T. Bauer

Trustees—(3-year term)

Mr. Louis H. Goettelmann

Mr. John H. C. Gray

NEXT MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, November 22nd

TIME: 8:00 P. M.

**PLACE: Lake Street Friends'
Meeting House**

Mrs. David S. Lenhart

Mr. Herbert R. Leicht

Mr. Edwin J. Pearson

Mr. Charles Evans has been nominated to fill the unexpired term of Joseph M. Tatem which ends in 1962.

Our November meeting is a particularly momentous one as it marks the opening of Greenfield Hall, the new historic headquarters of the Society at 343 King's Highway East. (See details on next page in a letter from our president, Herbert Leicht.)

Altogether a stimulating meeting is promised. Guests are cordially invited.

Please note: This Bulletin is marked Vol. 3, No. 3 although it is the last Bulletin of the year in which we usually have four. The Society did not publish the usual edition preceding our July meeting. With this Bulletin marked "No. 3" your file is complete for 1960.

"IT BELONGS TO US"

(The following is a personal letter from our president, Herbert R. Leicht on the opening of Greenfield Hall, the Society's new, larger headquarters, its plans and needs for the future—and a financial report.)

Dear Members:

Sometime in 1955 thoughts began about acquiring the house known as Greenfield Hall at 343 King's Highway East. The idea was then considered further, and there were some of our membership who thought it be more than we could accomplish. Right here might be inserted a short essay on "Frustrations" and it may perhaps appear in a future issue of this paper.

But we have it and are very proud of it and many more will be upon visiting our new headquarters.

A celebration is in the planning for the gala opening in February 1961 although the building will be open for use in November. Dr. John A. Monroe, Professor of History at the University of Delaware, a most erudite and excitingly interesting speaker, will be special guest of honor.

At this time before our annual business meeting it is appropriate to publish the financial report of the Society:

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND

DISBURSEMENTS

October 1, 1960

CASH RECEIPTS

Membership dues	\$ 2,442.00
Interest Received U. S. Bonds	28.85
Matured U. S. Bonds.....	911.25
Sale of Books Cards, Leaflets	150.70
Received from Sale of Headquarters:	
231 King's Highway East	23,373.82
Transferred from New Headquarters Fund:	
(Haddon Savings and Loan Association) Gifts, Interest, Dividends	22,161.58
Receipts Candle Light Supper	233.00
	<u>\$49,301.20</u>
Balance brought Forward 11/1/59	1,142.88
Total Cash Receipts	<u>\$50,444.08</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Purchase Greenfield Hall	
Purchase Price	\$55,000.00
Less: Down Payment.....	\$10,000.00
5% Purchase Money Mortgage	5,00.00
	<u>\$15,000.00</u>
	<u>15,000.00</u>
	<u>\$40,000.00</u>
Title Insurance	350.00
Recording Deed and Mortgage	15.00
Internal Revenue Stamps on Mortgage	5.50
Title Company Settlement Fee	10.00
	<u>\$40,380.50</u>
Taxes including Water and Sewer, 343 King's Highway East (9/15/59 to 12/31/59)	\$ 236.14
Taxes including Water and Sewer (1/1/60 to 10/31/60)	875.94
Taxes including Water and Sewer	
231 King's Highway East	191.02
Gas and Electricity	54.52
Fuel—Oil	230.07
Repairs—	
231 King's Highway East	12.50
Insurance	15.67
Printing	103.00
Postage	83.85
Hostess (Mrs. C. C. Binder)	451.00
Speakers' Fees	55.00
Transfer to New Headquarters Fund	911.25
Candle Light Supper (Caterer)	245.00
	<u>\$43,845.46</u>
Total Disbursements	
Excess Receipts over Disbursements	50,444.08
Cash Balance 10/1/60.....	<u>6 598.60*</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Charles R. Mulloy, Jr.

Treasurer.

*Approximately \$4,500.00 of the Cash balance has been set aside for painting, papering and making repairs to Greenfield Hall.

As you now have read the financial report of our Society you are aware that with the mortgage we have obtained on the New Headquarters, a rather fair sum is in the balance. However, the New Headquarters Committee comprising of Mrs. Frances W. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. Goettelmann, Mr. Richard Hammond, Mrs. Ellwood Hess, Mr. Herbert R. Leicht and Mr. William E. Sherman, Jr., report that because of the result of renovations and repairs the amount has been lessened.

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PROGRESS OF RENOVATIONS

The exterior of the buildings has been painted and minor roof repairs made. The interior has had quite an intensive improvement in decorating the rooms. As you enter the front door the vestibule has white woodwork with walls of a color called piecrust. The woodwork of the entire stair hall is white with the walls papered a beautiful mustard yellow figure paper most appropriate to the period of the house. The rooms to the right also have white woodwork and a nicely designed figured wall paper in which for the present we will place the Victorian furniture.

The two joining rooms to the left are painted a Rose Taupe, a most unusual and subtle color, while in the room at the right rear which will be furnished as a kitchen living room, the woodwork is a beautiful old green and the walls a pure white. The second floor has four bedrooms, each room has both walls and woodwork the same color. Another very subtle color called Allure is in the front room to the right, and the room across the hall is painted a very sprightly color called Meringue. One of the rear bedrooms is in Overture Blue, and the fourth bedroom Blue Pearl. So much for the decorative side of the project.

The electrical system has been thoroughly checked and new lights will be installed to light the front.

The plumbing also is in good working condition, while improvements made in the heating system for the sake of safety and economy. The appropriate lighting fixtures must wait for the future. The floors are being reconditioned.

A most interesting feature of the Headquarters will be the Library which is housed in the small wing. The lower floor has a fireplace with chimney breast of pine as well as pine book shelves. The walls are painted white and the woodwork other than pine painted Celadon

Green. This should prove to be a most delightful place in which to browse historically.

The room above is reached by a very narrow and steep stairway and will be the stock room and furnished as a place for research. The wing has direct access to the main part of the house and will probably be used as the entrance the better to maintain control of visitors. It is contemplated at some future time to use the garage as a meeting room.

Now as to adequately furnishing the building, it is at present impossible to do so and this is where you may have a part. A very rigid discipline is to be imposed on all accessions which may be offered to the Society. It is hoped that many fine pieces of furniture and decorative arts may eventually find a place here. Also that monetary gifts for the purchase of specific items such as chairs, antique oriental rugs, lighting fixtures, curtains, etc., may be forthcoming. And even in your thinking of future matters, and I mention this with delicacy, you will consider the Society as part beneficiary.

It is our aim to keep a very high standard of articles to be exhibited from time to time, and that a permanent collection of furniture because of its high quality will eventually replace some of those pieces that we now have.

ASSISTANCE NEEDED

We have a fine home, outstanding boxwood gardens and we are indeed grateful to you who have made contributions so that it was possible to acquire this. We will need many more new members, and gifts of money small and substantial to enable us to carry on that which we have set out to accomplish.

Won't you please consider this letter as a personal appeal to give us that assistance?

Herbert R. Leicht, President.

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Haddonfield, New Jersey

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**UNUSUAL N. J. HISTORY TALK
TO BE REPRINTED HERE**

This Fall we had the rare privilege of attending the celebration of the dedication of one of the oldest churches in New Jersey—the Moravian Church at Oldmans Creek, Svedesboro, restored by the Gloucester County Historical Society, erected in 1786 and dedicated in the year in which George Washington assumed office as the first President of the United States in 1789.

The speaker at this celebration held in the lovely old brick structure was the Hon. David D. Furman, Attorney General of New Jersey, whose subject was "New Jersey and the Revolution." Several residents of Haddonfield attended the ceremonies and were so impressed and inspired by Mr. Furman's talk that permission was requested to summarize it for the readers of our Historical Society Bulletin.

Because of the considerable news contained in this issue of our Bulletin pertaining to the opening and progress of our new headquarters, and because of the importance and interest of Mr. Furman's talk, particularly in light of New Jersey's Tercentenary Celebration in 1964, we have decided to release the full summary of the Attorney General's remarks in our February Bulletin rather than condense it further in this issue because of lack of space.

We think you will find the notes well worth the waiting and a truly important addition to your knowledge of New Jersey history.

The Editor

Mrs. James G. Aiken, Editor
Historical Society Bulletin

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**HOW TO JOIN
THE HADDONFIELD HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

Check the classification you wish and mail with your check or money order and your name and address to the Treasurer, Mr. Charles R. Mulloy, Jr., 125 Wedgwood Lane, Haddonfield.

Contributing Membership:

\$25.00 per couple per year

Sustaining Membership:

\$10.00 per couple per year

Single Membership:

\$5.00 per year

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